



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE

*St Bernadette's Church, 89 Bond St, Ivanhoe West
Mary Immaculate Church, 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe
Mother of God Church, 56 Wilfred Rd, Ivanhoe East*

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Masses:

Weekend: Saturday: 6.00pm St Bernadette's **Sunday:** 9am Mary Immaculate; 10.30am Mother of God
Weekday: 9.15am **Tuesday:** Mother of God **Wednesday:** Mary Immaculate **Friday:** St Bernadette's

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19-20 September 2015

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR B

THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord upholds my life.

- V.1 O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayers; listen to the words of my mouth. **R.**
- V.2 For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. **R.**
- V.3 But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: Lord who upholds our lives. Hear our prayer.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY: We remember Janice Horton, Amanda Rathjen, Christine Smith, Br. James Maher MSC, Stuart King, Marty Brown, Ingrid Weinberg, Mike McGuire, Margaret O'Brien, Tran thi Kim Chi, Sung Bui, Amy Nguyen, John Coonan and Sheila Darcy who are in need of prayer at this time. We remember those who support those in need.

We remember those who have died recently including Mario Fancoli. We also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

This Week's Readings: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 **Psalm 53:3-6, 8** **St James 3:16-4:3** **Mark 9:30-37**

Mon 21 Sept: St Matthew the Apostle

Tue 22 Sept: St Maurice

Wed 23 Sept: St Pio of Pietrelcina

Thur 24 Sept: Our Lady of Walsingham

Fri 25 Sept: St Finbar

Sat 26 Sept: Ss Cosmas and Damian

Next Week's Readings: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Numbers 11:25-29 **Psalm 18:8, 10, 12-14** **St James 5:1-6** **Mark 9:38-43, 47-48**

Prayers of the Sick: Please note that names will remain on the sick list for a month.

To extend the time, please make personal contact with the Parish Office 9499 1515.

From the desk of Fr Thang:

“Up” (2009) – Seeing the World through the Eyes of Elders and Children

The computer-animated comedy centres around a grumpy old man named Carl Fredricksen and an overeager Wilderness Explorer named Russell who fly to South America in a floating house suspended from helium balloons. It’s a family movie for children and people with children’s hearts. It’s through the eyes of children and the elderly we can see some of the Gospel quality – the qualities of trust and bearing suffering.

Over recent weeks we have heard that Jesus’ message had not been well received by his people. That’s why he seemed to move to the non-Jew region to preach the Goodnews. Even Jesus’ close friends failed to understand his ways.

Not only do the disciples fail to comprehend what rising from the dead means, but they distract themselves by turning their thoughts to who is the greatest among themselves.

By turning to a child, Jesus shows what is important, indeed fundamental, in the attitude of discipleship. In Jesus time children appear to have no significance in religious life. They appear as non-persons without any power and often unprotected. Effectively they function as symbols of powerlessness and dependency. The child has trust in adults, particularly parents; this trust Jesus has in the Father. When suffering comes, Jesus refuses to abandon trust in the Father. Through that trust Jesus exposes himself to vulnerability to the exploits of his enemies but unless his disciples can come to welcome that vulnerability they will never understand the way of Jesus.

This challenge of Jesus is to welcome the powerless, the vulnerable, the weak, and the unimportant. Jesus’ own example is to place himself in the midst of such people – to minister to their needs, to serve them, to demonstrate his love and acceptance of them.

Jesus seeks to draw his disciples away from a model of discipleship based on power, entitlements, prestige and self-promotion to that of trust in the Father and love and service of one’s neighbour. Fundamental to this basis of discipleship is a personal and communal relationship with God.

Perhaps this school holiday, it may be good to visit our loved ones or friends in nursing homes, or perhaps spending more time with our children, showing interest in what they are doing, listening to their difficulties with affection, taking them to weekend Eucharist. May the Eucharist today help us to welcome the powerless, the dependent, the weak, and more refugees and migrants.

Sources

Denis McBride, Seasons of the Word (1991)

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HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

For the next two weeks there will be no weekday morning Mass.

Communion Services are:

Tuesday 22 Sept	9.15am		Mother of God Church
Wednesday 23 Sept	9.15am		Mary Immaculate Church
Wednesday 23 Sept	9.15am		Mother of God Church
Thursday 24 Sept	9.15am		Mother of God Church
Friday 25 Sept	9.15am		St Bernadette's Church
Fri 25 Sept	9.15am		Mother of God Church
Saturday 26 Sept	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mary Immaculate Church

As from 4 July 2015 Mass at St Bernadette's will be at 6.00pm on a permanent basis



First Eucharist Celebrations: We remember and pray for the children in our Parish Primary Schools who are preparing to receive and celebrate their First Eucharist in Term 3.

11 October	10.30am Mass at Mother of God Church	Mother of God School children
22 November	10.30am Mass at Mother of God Church	Parish Catechist children

Thanks from Fr Thang: We welcome and thank Fr Ted Teal, Fr Peter Carrucan and Fr Lasber Sinaga who will be assisting our Parish over the coming two weeks. We are very grateful to the priests who support our parish in a variety of ways, giving generously in both time and spirit. Sincere thanks to those who ensure that all is in readiness for Masses in each of our churches.

News from our Parish Schools: We welcome children from our parish schools who have been invited to participate as readers and bring the Offertory Gifts as part of Parish Masses, and families present with them:

Masses	Date	Readers	Offertory Gifts
6.00pm St B	19 & 26 Sept	School Holidays	School Holidays
9.00am MI	20 & 27 Sept	School Holidays	School Holidays
10.30am MOG	20 Sept	Kirra Pozzebon	Max Perta and family
	27 Sept	School Holidays	School Holidays

Celebrating 100 Years!

100 years 2.30 pm Mass Sunday, 25th October
Everyone welcome—please pass the word.

Some reminders: Have you marked out the date in your diary?

Have you mentioned the event to others whom you know would be interested?

Have you looked for the 'treasures' which you know are 'somewhere'?

Tom, Peter, Merle (merlegilbo@hotmail.net.au)

Greetings for Rosh Ha Shannah.

Archbishop Hart and the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne greets all of our Jewish friends and neighbours on the feast of Rosh Ha Shannah and the beginning of a new year.

It is a time for reflection, for casting off the things which might hold you down. It is also a time to remember the creation of Adam and Eve and the role of their daughters and sons in God's world today.

In recent months, we Catholics have received Pope Francis' letter, Laudate Si, which invites us to reflect on how we care for our common home, our tiny planet earth. The Pope invites both the members of the Church and the world to reflect on how we are shaping the future of our fragile planet.

As people of faith together, we can take steps for the good of our planet, to make the coming year a shannah tovah for the Earth.

May you be blessed with a sweet year! We indeed wish you L'Shannah tovah.

Good News for Melbourne: On Saturday September 12, the Archbishop ordained six men to the priesthood for Melbourne, bringing the ordination class of 2015 to nine new priests. As these men begin their ministry in parishes in Melbourne, please keep them in your prayers. The ordination class of 2015: June- Fathers Charles Balnaves, John Paul Mount and Francis Denton. September- Fathers Justel Callos, Daryl Montecillo, Joel Peart, Dong Tran, Patrick Bradford, George Feliciouz.

Ryder Cheshire Morning Coffee. Still at the MI hall. The time: 10am. The date: 25th September. The time, something quite different. Janette Fernando, Managing Director of Poetica Christi Press and a member of Writers Victoria, will share some of her poetry.

Corpus Christi College Building Appeal: Please support our seminarians. They are our priests of the future. Next weekend the Archdiocese of Melbourne and dioceses of Ballarat, Sale & Sandhurst will be conducting a special collection in all parishes for the purpose of building 8 additional rooms urgently needed for Corpus Christi College.



All over Australia seminaries are flourishing and Corpus Christi College is no exception. After years of decline, the tide has turned and we must build more rooms for the growing number of students. With gratitude to God and to you all, we ask for your continued prayers and support in the time of great need. If you would like further information please contact the Development Office: 9926 5731

OLMC welcomes applications for Year 7 in 2017, 2018 and 2019

For a Prospectus or for information regarding enrolments, please call our Registrar Merri O’Halloran on 94592511 OR visit our website to download an Application Form. The closing date for Year 7 2017 applications is Friday 26 February 2016. Please note – if you currently have daughters enrolled at OLMC, you will need to complete a separate Application Form for younger siblings. School Tours are a great opportunity to see how our school operates on a normal school day. Term 4 Tours – Thursday 8 October & Twilight Tour Tuesday 26 November. Please ring College Reception on 94592511 to make a booking.

The Parish of St Gregory the Great, Doncaster will be hosting a speaker’s evening reflecting on the encyclical of Pope Francis – *Laudato Si’*. The evening on Thursday 15 October, 2015, in the Parish Hall, will commence with a light supper of pizza and drinks at 7.00pm with an opportunity for discussion and questions after the presentation by Sr. Mary Dennett rsm BSc MA. To assist with catering, please contact the Parish Office by Monday 12 October – telephone 98482395 or email Doncaster@cam.org.au.

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 26-27 September 2015

<u>ST. BERNADETTE’S:</u> Saturday 6.00pm	Lector S. Moorhen	Special Ministers Sr. Carmel, B. Jowett	
<u>MARY IMMACULATE:</u> Leader Sunday 9.00am	J. Wignall	Reader O. Egan	Mass Coordinators M. Gilbo
			Counters P. & H. Nguyen
<u>MOTHER OF GOD:</u> Sunday 10.30am	Sacristan M. Hoban	Lector T. Barker	Special Ministers A. Moloney, T. Barker
	Altar Society:	I. Chiera	Choir Coordinator:

First Collection – Thanksgiving:	Envelopes: \$1517.50	Loose cash: \$417.80	Total: \$1935.30
Second Collection – Presbytery:			Total: \$ 923.60

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